

PEASANTS AND YANKS SURPRISE EACH OTHER

Habits of Natives Source of Wonder To American Boys in the Far North.

SLEEP ON KITCHEN STOVE

Protest at American Desire for Ventilation in Their Sleeping Rooms.

WITH AMERICAN TROOPERS IN NORTH RUSSIA, March 8.—The habits and customs of the north Russian peasant are sources of increasing wonder to the American soldier. The peasants are primitive and are content to reside where the average American housewife would roll up her sleeves and spend many days in scrubbing before she would live. In these wooden log huts hundreds of Yankee infantrymen and engineers are billeted this winter.

The Americans generally speak and occupy one half of the house and the family the other. The American half is as clean as a constant "polishing" can make it. But as for the other half, there are children, husbands, dogs of the Arctic type, and from two to four generations of peasants wandering more or less miscellaneous about their one or two rooms.

"But they keep the chickens cooped up part of the day," one Detroit, Mich., private told the Associated Press correspondent. "You see," he added, "they only let them out in the morning to 'polish' the kitchen. That's easier than sweeping out."

The Russian family's side of all these houses is a sight. It is bitterly cold up here in the forests during the six months' winter, and the peasant doesn't believe in wasting heat. His windows are sealed up tight and never, never opened. He doesn't mind the resultant odor.

But the American does, and opens the windows in his side of the house, and the peasant shakes his head gravely and worries for fear his strange khaki-clad guests will catch cold.

But the American doesn't catch cold, and neither does the peasant, for that matter, in his air-tight rooms. Both systems seem to work equally well. Since the cold weather has really set in, the soldier and civilian populations have both been springing healthy.

SCHOOLGIRLS TO THE FRONT IN CITY AFFAIRS

SPECIAL TO THE WORLD. HARTLEYSVILLE, Okla., March 8.—At the meeting of the membership committee of the new chamber of commerce organization at the Y. M. C. A. today an unusual stunt was pulled by the girls of the high school appearing in a body and announcing through a clever speech by Miss Georgia Fox that, as the women had the right of suffrage now in Oklahoma, they wanted to notify the men of the city that the coming women of the community had determined to have a voice and a vote in the city affairs and would assist in every way possible in the plans for a greater Hartleysville. D. H. McFarland, who is managing the campaign, said it was the most unique support he had received or known of others receiving in campaigns covering 100 cities in the United States.

At the close of the meeting it was announced that the four banks of the city had arranged to have each class of the school represented in the new chamber by a paid \$25 membership, the gift of the banks. The classes will select their own member. At the close of the third day two hour canvass 582 members at \$25 a year each for three years had been signed. When the canvass closes the committee expects to have to exceed 500 members.

Alleged Section of the Indiana Election Law in Need of Revision

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 8.—Some members of the Indiana legislature are still searching for a phantom provision in the state election law requiring that eight inches of the voters legs be visible to the election board while the ballot is being marked. If the provision is there, they want it removed. For women vote in Indiana, and enforcement of such provision might cause embarrassment, these members contend.

"I have heard there is such a provision," said Representative Winfield Miller, member of the house elections committee. "Members have considered amending the law, because of its objectionable feature to women, who have presidential suffrage."

The law provides that booths must be so arranged so board members can tell that there is not more than one person in the booth at a time. It has been customary to hang both curtains eight inches or more from the floor.

A close study of the law has failed to bring forth a specific provision that eight inches of the leg must show.

Money Cheap. WASHINGTON, March 8.—The state department was informed today by the Rumanian government that the "enemy governments" were continuing to issue bank notes, printed from the plates which they obtained when they occupied Bucharest. The Rumanian government announced it had entered a protest against this action and called attention to the fact that it would not recognize the validity of these notes.

Two Great Leaders Stand Together



President Wilson and ex-President Taft photographed recently in Washington. In rear row, left to right: Grayson M. P. Murphy, Charles D. Norton and Edwin N. Hurley.

The most eminent living republican, Mr. Taft, and the most eminent living democrat, Mr. Wilson, are the leading opponents of the league of nations plan in the United States. On Tuesday night they appeared on the same platform in New York in advocacy of the league. Mr. Taft "has his opinion" of any politician, be he republican or democrat, who opposes the league.

SPRUCE TIMBER GOING TO WASTE SINCE ARMISTICE

VANCOUVER, B. C., March 8.—The provincial government and the federal parliament are being urged to take immediate action to meet problems in spruce production in British Columbia. It is declared that tremendous losses of spruce will be sustained unless new legislation of sale conditions resulting from the sudden ending of the war.

Production of spruce in British Columbia for airplanes is said to have been greater than the combined production in Oregon and Washington. Immense sums of money were spent for mills and equipment. It is reported that at least 50,000,000 feet of spruce timber, which cost from \$10 to \$15 per thousand to produce, is in water or adjacent to water. Tremendous quantities of cut timber still lie in the woods. No apparent effort was made to haul it to tide water, it is claimed.

Conditions are said to be due in part to indecision in disposing of the timber.

Deacon to Get New Chance. WASHINGTON, March 8.—Petitions asking review of the case of Troy Deacon, convicted at Waco, Texas, on a charge of violating the espionage act and sentenced to 15 months imprisonment, were filed in the supreme court.

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TUBERCULOSIS CASES REMARKABLY SCARCE

Exposures of War and Hardships of Trench Life Not Productive of Disease

NOBMAN, Okla., March 8.—Only 12,000 soldiers in the entire American army of nearly 1,000,000 men were afflicted with tuberculosis when the government began discharging men after the armistice was signed, according to Captain Gayfre, E. H. Smith, who has just returned to the University of Oklahoma from the army.

Captain Smith says this is a very small percentage considering the exposures suffered by soldiers in France and the number of them who were exposed as gas frequently weakened the lungs of men and tuberculosis followed.

Captain Smith is professor of bacteriology in the university. For three months he has been in charge of the laboratories at Base Hospital No. 15 at Marquette, Pa., a hospital devoted exclusively to the treatment of tuberculosis cases.

Captain Smith says six such hospitals were operated in this country, located in New Mexico, Idaho, Denver, Washington, Baltimore and Marquette.

About half of the cases at Marquette were men who had returned from overseas service. He says the hospital handled about 200 men at a time. The patients in the hospital for about three months during which it was determined whether they could recover and be discharged or could not recover. In the latter case they were discharged if they so desired and had relatives or friends to care for them, or they could remain in any army hospital for permanent treatment.

CANADA WOULD BE REAL NICE TO RETURNED MEN

EDMONTON, Alta., March 8.—While the Dominion government is taking preliminary steps to aid returning soldiers, the provincial legislature in session here is also studying the problem and has before it one measure memorializing parliament to appropriate funds for each grant of \$2,000 for men who served at the front.

Other bills seek financial aid for war widows and other dependents of soldiers, opposing factions have agreed on the principles of these bills. Supplementary bills provide aid for dependent wives and children of incapacitated soldiers.

It is understood the Dominion parliament is anxious to receive formal recommendations from the provincial legislatures before it takes up the general problem of reconstruction.

Caruso Married Again

NEW YORK, March 8.—Enrico Caruso, the Metropolitan opera house tenor, and Dorothy Park Benjamin were married for a second time today in St. Patrick's cathedral after the bride had been formally received into the Catholic faith. They were first married in the Marble Collegiate church here, August 20, 1918.

Unusually Mild Winter Proves Great Drawback to Trapping Industry

THE PAS, Manitoba, March 8.—After a 500-mile journey with his dog team, Horace Halcrow "mashed" into The Pas with the startling information that Hudson's bay was open when he left its west shore in February.

Halcrow said the water had been open at Port Nelson harbor since last May and that he heard even the seals were free of ice. Such conditions are considered remarkable for that season.

Halcrow said that while the bay region has not suffered from influenza, some settlements between The Pas and Hudson's bay were almost wiped out.

Because of the mild winter trapping has not been very profitable since Christmas. He declared, adding that fishing has been the big industry on Hudson's bay all winter.

Stretching halfway off Port Nelson and York Factory has been going on all winter. They just throw halibut into the boats and when they are filled, they pull ashore.

Since Halcrow left Hudson's bay weather conditions have changed. The Pas has experienced 20 below weather which means that the temperature may have dropped to 10 below in the Port Nelson district.

Carpenter's Wife Is Five Years Younger

"I was very much run down," says Mrs. T. E. Rucker. "The gas from the food that I ate would make me miserable for hours, and at night my heart would throb so I could get no sleep. My nerves were all on edge. I had terrible headaches, most all the time. Friends advised me to take the Orgatone Treatment, and after only one bottle I already feel five years younger. I can now sleep soundly, my complexion has cleared up, and I have no more trouble with my digestion. The Orgatone treatment has been a fine thing for me."

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Why do we dream?

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Why does not heat run along a stick?

What is the force in lightning that kills a man so quickly?

Why has water no taste?

Why does steam always come when water is hot?

What happens when you get tired?

What does a hen make her eggs of?

Why do we count in tens?

If snow is frozen rain, what is hail?

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